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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

BIRNSTIEL *et al.*

Appl. No. 08/380,200

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Conjugates**

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**Preliminary Remarks**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Consideration of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

Applicants reply herein to the rejections of the claims presented in the Office Action dated **February 28, 2001**, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 45).

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.